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22. (new) The device of claim 21, wherein the adjusting ruler is located between the die-cutter blade and the frame opposite the leading knife edge of the die-cutter blade.

23. (new) The device of claim 18, wherein the adjusting element is an adjusting sheet that is positioned parallel to the knife edge and includes an opening corresponding to an opening cross-section of the die-cutter blade along the knife edge of the die-cutter blade.

24. (new) The device of claim 23, wherein the adjusting sheet is positioned between the ram and the knife edge.

25. (new) The device of claim 24, wherein the adjusting sheet is attached to a support that is connected to the frame.

26. (new) The device of claim 18, wherein the frame further includes:

a closed frame portion; and

at least one clamping beam which is adjustable with respect to the frame portion and fixable to parallel lateral legs of the frame portion, wherein the die-cutter blade is retained between one of a pair of parallel short legs of the frame portion and the primary clamping beam.

27. (new) The device of claim 18, wherein the frame further includes:

a frame portion;

a primary clamping beam which is slideable with respect to the frame portion and fixable to parallel lateral legs of the frame portion, wherein the die cutter blade is retained between one of a pair of short legs of the frame portion and the primary clamping beam; and

a secondary clamping beam which is slideable with respect to the frame portion and fixable to the parallel lateral legs of the frame portion, wherein the secondary clamping beam is parallel to the primary clamping beam and includes clamping agents that are adjustable to apply a force against the primary clamping beam.

28. (new) The device of claim 27, wherein the frame portion is closed.

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29. (new) The device of claim 27, wherein an interface between the primary and secondary beams and the parallel lateral legs of the frame portion is one of a form-fit and friction fit interface.

30. (new) The device of claim 27, wherein the clamping elements include a first clamping shoe that extends between one of the pair of short legs of the frame portion and engages the die cutter blade and a second clamping shoe that extends between the primary clamping beam and engages the die cutter blade.

31. (new) The device of claim 18, further including:  
a punch platen; and  
a receiving apparatus adjustably mounted to the punch platen, wherein the receiving apparatus receives and retains the frame.

32. (new) The device of claim 31, wherein the receiving apparatus includes two adjustable parallel gibs which accept the frame.

33. (new) The device of claim 32, wherein the frame is slideable in a plane parallel to the punch platen and tiltable with respect to the plane, and wherein the frame is adjustable with respect to both orthogonal plane axes.

34. (new) The device of claim 33, wherein the frame includes a t-slot for receiving a centering bolt that is mounted in the punch platen.